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SUBJ: Standard Scrap Metal/Chicago International Exporting Site Pollution

Report

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POLREP NO: POLREP 11

II BACKGROUND

Site No: 05HQ

Delivery Order No: 5001-05-357

Response Authority: CERCLA, Time Critical Removal Action

NPL Status: Not on NPL

State Notification: IEPA Notified (IEPA Referred the Site)

Action Memo Status: Approved Start Date: October 28, 1994 Completion Date: October 1995

III SITE INFORMATION

Refer to POLREP 1

IV RESPONSE INFORMATION

A Situation

- 1. Current Situation
 See POLREP #1
- 2. Removal Activities To Date (Feb 13, 1995 thru Feb 18, 1995)
 * ERCS contractor Riedel Environmental continues loading PCB contaminated soil from the West Yard along with PCB and Lead Contaminated soil from Main Yard into rail cars. Rail car were temperarily discontinued due to their availability on Feb 16, rail service will resume on Feb 20.
 - * ERCS contractor completed moving scrap and other metal debris from the northwest portion of Main Yard, and also continues excavation and stockpiling soil in Main Yard * Crew continue to clear debris from the main yard to facilitate excavation efforts
 - * Grid areas B-13, C-13, in Main Yard have been backfilled with tunnel rock, after confirmation sample results showed contaminants below the action levels
 - * ERCS completed the excavation of C-16 through C-19 and D-12 of the main yard. Confirmation samples were collected and the samples were sent to the lab on Feb 17.
 - * TCLP metal samples were collected from the main yard pile to determine if the waste needed to be stablized or be sent direct to the landfill for disposal.
 - * Chicago International continued shredder operations thoughout the week of 2/13/95 through 2/18/95.
 - * High volume polyurathane foam (HVPUF) sampling for PCBs in

air was initiated on 1/17/95 in Main Yard. During this POLREP period HVPUF air samples were collected on 2/13/95, 2/14/95 (both days samples were shipped for analysis), 2/16/95, and 2/17/95.

* The main yard pile is below the TCLP limit and the soil does not need to be stabilized. all below the action levels

3. Enforcement

An additional Unilateral Administrative Order will be issued to Chicago International Exporting to discontinue releasing PCB's from the shredding and copper separation operations and to sample feed and processed materials for PCB's.

U.S. EPA Air and Radiation Branch has issued a Notice of Violation (NOV) to the facility for Clean Air Act Violations.

The Chicago International Exporting Inc. facility began shredding operations on 1/16/95. The baghouse on the shredder is non-functional and observed releases of PCB and metal contaminated dust is on-going. The facility began chopping and separation operations on 1/20/95. A sock filter, which was installed over the hopper box where contaminated dust exits the building, was removed after a week.

B Planned Removal Activity Refer to POLREP 1 through 10

C Next Steps

- * Complete excavation of West Yard
- * Continue transportation and disposal of excavated soils
- * Continue High Volume Air Sampling for PCBs and Lead
- * Continue excavation and confirmation soil sampling in Main Yard
- * Dispose of Special Waste and TSCA Waste

D Key Issues

- * Court hearing in U.S. District court will resolve the issue of access to the East or Main Yard
- * Commence disposal of special waste due to limited space on site * Issue and enforce if necessary the Unilateral Administrative Order to Chicago International Exporting to cease releases PCBs from the shredding and gravity separator operations

		COST	INFORMATIO	N (as	of 02/17/95)	
		!	COST		CEILING	
ERCS		\$	1,700,520	\$	3,000,000	
TAT		\$	74,530	\$	100,000	
U.S.	EPA	\$	59,443	\$	100,000	

VI DISPOSITION OF WASTES

* Eight rail car loads of PCB contaminated soil weighing approximately 720 tons were shipped between 2/13/95 and 2/16/95 to the Envirosafe facility in Grandview, ID. A total of 71 rail cars have been shipped off-site for a total of 6,390 tons * Five tanker loads approximating 20,600 gallons of UST contents and water collected from the UST excavated area have been shipped to Safety Clean (Breslube) as of 1/20/95 for disposal * Disposal of special waste (soils containing less than 50 ppm PCB) is set up at BFI Mallard Lakes.